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In addition to this important discovery, the group showed how trapped photoexcited carriers in glasses could produce selective etching. This work led to the elucidation of the charge pattern responsible for glass SHG using atomic force microscopy. Use of the technique also resulted in the determination of the role of centers in this process. The method was also extended to produce binary optical elements using direct laser writing and complemented a third technology we developed which uses semiconductor doped glasses to directly fabricate surface features in glass.

In total, the group produced 36 publications, 24 conference presentations, and three patents based on this work. In addition, the grant support has made possible the research of four new Ph.D.'s over the past three years.

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